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FOR CU/ARTS AND USIA FOR IEU

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: SCUL, RO
SUBJECT: CULTURAL PRESENTATION: AMERICAN BALLET THEATER

REF: STATE 139128; WHEELER/BARNES/GARNETT TELCON, JUN 16

1. GOR VERY INTERESTED IN ABT, BUT CANNOT PAY TRANSPORTATION
BECAUSE COUNCIL FOR CULTURE AND SOCIALIST EDUCATION NOT
AUTHORIZED PAY INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND IN ADDITION HAS NO
MONEY BECAUSE OF HAVING SPENT ITS FUNDS FOR THE CURRENT EUROPEAN
FESTIVAL OF FRIENDSHIP (CENTENNIAL MUSIC FESTIVAL).

2. 2. AMBASSADOR HAS SPOKEN TO COUNCIL PRESIDENT MIU DOBRESCU AND
DEPFORMIN GLIGA AND BOTH INDICATED STRONG GOR DESIRE TO HAVE ABT
HERE. DOBRESCU WILL SEE IF SOMEHOW COUNCIL CAN COME UP WITH SOME
MORE FUNDS, BUT NO OPTIMISTIC. HE PROMISED TO BE BACK ON TRACK
LATE THIS AFTERNOON. WE WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO GET SOME ROMANIAN
CONTRIBUTION ON GENERAL PRINCIPLES BUT GIVEN GENERAL
BUDGETARY PROBLEMS HERE, SHORT NOTICE MAKES US LESS THAN
OPTIMISTIC WE CAN SUCCEED.

3. EMBASSY STRONGLY URGES CU/ARTS TO TRY TO GET ABT TO DO THREE
PERFORMANCES SINCE THEY WILL BE HELD IN THE OPERA HOUSE WHICH,
WHILE IDEAL FOR BALLET, SEATS ONLY 1,000 PERSONS. WE ESTIMATE WITH
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THREE PERFORMANCES GOR COULD POSSIBLY BRING IN ABOUT \$10,000 AND ITS
OUTLAY FOR ROOM AND BOARD AND ORCHESTRA WOULD PROBABLY BE AT LEAST
\$13,800. THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLICITY.

4. AFTER TELECON WITH IEU/ARTHUR, POST WILLING TO INVEST \$6,500
OF GOE TO ASSIST CU/ARTS WITH COST OF TRAVEL. FOR BUDGETARY
REASONS, THESE FUNDS WOULD PROBABLY BE GIVEN TO GOR WHO WOULD IN

TURN PAY CU/ARTS FOR ALF OF \$13,000 TRAVEL COST.

5. IF RUSSIAN SOLOISTS ARE NO LONGER SOVIET CITIZENS, COUNCIL
WOULD BE QUITE WILLING TO HAVE THEM.

6. IN LIGHT OF EXPECT DOBRESCU CALL TO AMBASSADOR, SUGGEST
WHELLER CALL GARNETT (12-37-71) 6 PM OUR TIME.
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